

# Westside Weekly

1/5/2014

## From the Pastor's Pen



### **New Beginnings Make New Endings**

I recently saw this quote,  
"No one can go back and  
start a new beginning, but  
anyone can start today  
and make a new

ending" (Unknown). I really began to think about that statement. The conclusion was that we don't start over; but we begin again right where we are, making things better in our lives. As a believer in Christ, it is not about saying I will do this and I won't do that and then dropping the idea or falling short. It is more about asking the Lord to help us each day, to fall deeper and deeper in love with Him. This way our focus will be set on the things of heaven and not on all this earthly stuff. If I were to make a New Year resolution, it would be to have a deeper commitment, a deeper love, and a deeper worship for the Lord. In the beginning of this past year, He spoke to me in that still small voice in prayer and said, "I am more than enough. I am more than enough in every area of your life." He also said to tell others the same thing. This year I am determined to make Him my all and all.

He wants our undivided attention in spite of the distractions and temptations that lie waiting around the corner. He has to be our main focus. How we will end this year will be determined by how we started it. Did we want to get more "INTIMATE" with God? I looked up the word intimacy and the meaning is to be close, familiar, very personal and private. Do you want a new ending this year? How do you want the ending of your life? If you're not a Christian, please know that this could be the best New Year of your life. Your life can be filled with hope and peace. To know what the ending will be is an extra bonus. Why should every year be the same as the one before with nothing really changing?

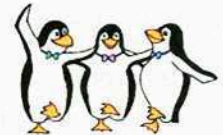
After all, the New Year resolutions may or may not get accomplished. If you are a Christian and you feel stagnate in your relationship with the Lord, then now is the time to rekindle the love affair with Him. He calls us to Himself and says, "Come away my beloved." Can you hear Him? He is tugging at your heart. The real ending in our life will be when Jesus says well done my good and faithful servant. That statement will be for someone who took the time to get to know Him, love Him, and that obediently followed Him.

## January

### Nursery

- 1/5 Betty Jean Phillips  
Nicole York
- 1/12 Debbie Keehn  
Dana Moore
- 1/19 Amy Clackler  
Patricia Thomas
- 1/26 Russell Hitson  
Stacey Hitson
- 2/2 Cathy Thomason  
Debbie Widen

### Children's Church



All children are  
invited to join us in  
Children's Church  
after the choir  
opens up the  
service.

### Announcements

\* Our AWANA Program starts back tonight!  
Tonight's theme is "Pajama Night"! Wear your  
favorite PJ's and come ready for fun!

\* We are back to our regular schedule for  
services. We will pick back up January 5th  
(Sunday) with AWANAs and January 8th  
(Wednesday) with Fellowship and a business  
meeting. We will have our regular Sunday  
morning services .

\* Ladies Fellowship Meeting Saturday, January  
11th @ 2pm. This is a very important meeting - all  
ladies please attend.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1/1 Rachel Brown
- 1/5 Cassidy Goodwin
- 1/6 Tori Brown Hinton
- 1/10 Franky Davis
- 1/12 Katie Goodwin
- 1/14 Cheyann Moore
- 1/16 Mary Weaver
- 1/22 Hunter Haney
- 1/28 Dot Tatum



## Church Schedule



### Sunday

10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Morning Worship Service & Children's Church  
5:00pm Choir Practice  
6:00pm AWANA & PUSH Ministry

### Wednesday

6:30pm Bible Study & Children's Choir

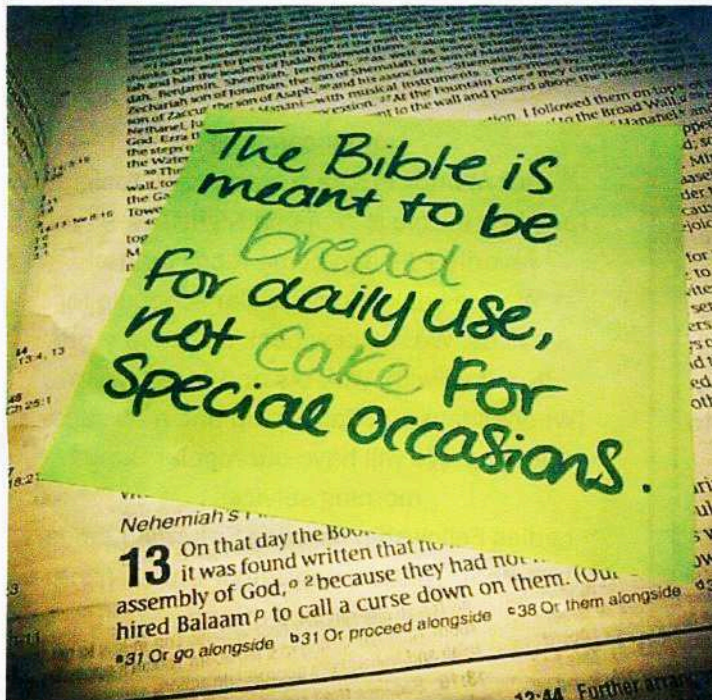
- \* 1st Wednesday of the month - Business Meeting and Fellowship
- \* 2nd Saturday of the month - Men's Brotherhood Breakfast at 8:00am

## PUSH PRAYER LIST

PASTOR MIKE & FAMILY  
OUR COUNTRY & TROOPS  
MISSIONARIES  
CHURCH MINISTRIES/AWANAS  
INACTIVE MEMBERS/VISITORS  
GIDEON MINISTRY  
ISREAL/JERUSALEM  
FED., STATE, LOCAL GOV'T

DANIEL STRICKLAND  
BYRON STRICKLAND  
JUSTIN STRICKLAND  
ESTELLE RADFORD  
MYRA HALL  
DARSEY & JOYCE STRICKLAND  
LARRY MONFEE  
PAM HANEY  
MARIE NELSON  
BOBBY & FAYE NELSON  
MAYETTA DAVIS  
BETTY JEAN'S FAMILY  
WAYNE PHILLIPS  
BRENT & ASHLEIGH MORSE  
PEARL SIMPSON  
HARVEY SMITH FAMILY  
MARK & CINDY REEVES  
DOROTHY JOHNSON  
BILL & ESSIE EZELL  
MRS. McCORD  
JEANETTE McDONALD & FAMILY  
BRANDI McDONALD  
MABEL ANDERSON FAMILY  
GERTIE LEVINS  
ED DRINKARD  
RONNIE THOMASON  
RUSS LOCKHART & FAMILY  
LEONARD THRIFT  
MARTHA PARKER  
SHIRLEY JOHNSON  
JIMMIE SUE HILL  
DANNY & LINDA TATUM FAMILY  
VICTOR & CAROL BROWN  
TORI HINTON  
RACHEL BROWN  
KYLE & LYDIA BARTOLO  
STEVEN & CONNIE BYE  
WAYNE KENNEDY  
EARLENE REED  
JOE FREDRICK  
JAMES JONES  
PAUL JONES

PHILLIP BYE  
CARMEN MORRIS  
RON & SHIRLEY HUDSON  
JAMES LESTER HALL  
MERIDETH JONES  
HOLLIS KENNEDY  
JAMES JONES  
HITSON FAMILY  
SAMANTHA GRIFFIS  
JORNEGAN FAMILY  
IAN HALL  
CECIL FISHER  
JOHN LEHEW FAMILY  
BRIAN CARR FAMILY  
DAVID PELL  
CALEB COOPER  
ROBERT & ETOICE BUTLEI  
CHRISTINA LOVETT  
DEBRA SISK  
DAWN & MARGARET BALL  
MARGARET PATTERSON  
JAMES ADDIE  
PHYLLIS ADDIE  
CAROL DAVIS  
CATHY THOMASON  
JO MANIS  
GLENN KESSLER  
JAMES HOLLIDAY  
CONNIE REEVES  
KATHY PACE  
LYNDA GRIER  
MARTY & SHARON OWEN  
LINDA MARTINEZ  
FRANK DAVIS  
SUE EVANS  
JACOB CLARK  
BONNIE DAVIS  
TREVOR SIMS  
JOHN KEMP  
JEAN SUTHERLAND  
CALVIN BYRD  
KARLI CHADWICK  
CHRISTY SMITH  
McKENZIE MARCHBANKS  
WEAVER FAMILY  
ROBIN MARTINEZ  
CAROL ALLEN  
JASON BOYKIN  
JOE & CLAUDIA STORAY  
BETSY ELAM



Life without Jesus  
is like a broken pencil...

no point!



Do you have an announcement you would like  
to include in a future Westside Weekly?

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